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## WILL INSPECT THE SCHOOLS

**Miss Anna Louise Davis Has Been Taking Course of Special Study**

**WORK TO BE BEGUN WITHIN FEW DAYS**

Miss Davis Will Retain Position as Superintendent of Mutual Aid Association—Has Been in Philadelphia Past Two Weeks.

Within a few days medical inspection will be begun in the schools, at the incorporated district of Brattleboro, which includes the high school, the school board having made an arrangement whereby the difficulties which confronted them early in the school year have been overcome.

Recently the school board engaged Miss Anna Louise Davis, superintendent of the Brattleboro Mutual Aid Association, to take up the work of medical inspection in the schools, and it was arranged that Miss Davis should go away for a course of training in that special branch of work.

Two weeks ago last Wednesday Miss Davis left for Philadelphia on that mission, and she was given practical work along the line of her preparation in employment here. She also visited in Detroit and elsewhere. It is expected that she will arrive in Brattleboro on Tuesday or Wednesday, and she will then be ready to take up the new work.

During Miss Davis' absence Miss Agnes D. Carson has served the Mutual Aid Association as acting superintendent. She has had 20 years of experience in institutional work, serving in large hospitals, and she directed experience in work at the nature of that which she has been doing in Brattleboro.

Just what Miss Carson will do on Miss Davis' return has not been decided definitely, but it is expected that Miss Davis will resume her position with the Mutual Aid Association and devote that time to necessary work in the school work, which probably will be done in the forenoon.

In the annual meeting of school district No. 2 last July it was voted to have medical inspection by a female

nurse. There was some discussion as to whether it would be necessary to employ a registered physician under the regulations of the state board of health, but the committee had the opinion that the district could employ any person whom it considered competent. The rules of the state board of health provide that medical inspection shall be made during the first two weeks of the opening of the school in September of each year. The local board was unable to find the desired person, however, until after that time.

**EFFORT TO OUST GOMPERS FROM A.F.L.**

**Final Day of Convention in Seattle May Be Marked by Stampede for John Mitchell.**

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 22.—The final day of the American Federation of Labor convention opened here this morning with several important matters to be decided, including the choice of officers, which was fixed for this afternoon. It was said to be the purpose of the radicals to stampede the convention for John Mitchell as successor to Samuel Gompers. Mitchell has announced his desire to retire as second vice-president and has been working for the election of John D. White, president of the United Mine Workers, as his successor.

**MASONIC TEAM F DEFEATED TEAM C**

Score Was 12-10—Skinner Had Both High Single and High Total—Teams D and E Next.

Team F defeated Team C of the Marquette bowling league last evening by the score of 12-10. Skinner had both the high single and the high total of the evening. The next match in the league will be held Tuesday evening between Teams D and E. The scores:

Team F.	
Chase	73 88 92-253
Barber	73 83 76-232
H. F. Jordan	80 85 84-249
Parwell	78 81 96-255
Jones	95 69 88-252
226 409 135-1248	

Team C.	
White	80 82 74-236
Proctor	82 76 79-237
Skinner	78 100 82-260
Whitaker	80 90 65-235
Cobb	71 79 82-232
398 416 382-1196	

## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

5 cents a line first insertion; 2-1-2 cents a line each subsequent insertion

- Wanted**
- WANTED—A few more boarders, M. Conway, 15 South Main St. 222-227.
- WANTED—Boarders and roomers. Mrs. Frank Goodroe, 25 Green St. 196-11.
- WANTED—Washings to do at home. Address "A," Reformer office. 224-226.
- WANTED—Housekeeper on farm, C. J. Matthews, Brattleboro, Tel. 237-R. 222-223.
- WANTED—Position in a store by young man. Address "C," Reformer office. 225-17.
- WANTED—A table girl and a cook at the South Vernon House, South Vernon, Vt. 225-230.
- WANTED—By capable girl, position doing housework. Address "D," Reformer office. 226-227.
- WANTED—Middle aged woman for housework in small family. Address "E," Reformer Office. 224-11.
- WANTED—An experienced second hand man for good work. Mrs. A. J. Matthews, Brattleboro, Tel. 217-11.
- WANTED—By young man, room and board with private family, with use of bath. O. W., care The Reformer. 225-227.
- WANTED—Capable girl with some knowledge of plain meat cooking. Depot Restaurant, Bellows Falls, Vt. 226-227.
- WANTED—We want to contract at once for standing timber, also for all kinds of hard and soft wood logs, delivered at our mill during the coming winter. Will pay the best of prices. Holden & Martin, Frost street. 217-11.
- For Sale**
- FOR SALE—All kinds of dry wood. E. A. Larrow. 193-11.
- FOR SALE—Dry stove wood. E. E. Mather, Tel. 13-5. 187-11.
- FOR SALE—Furniture and ranges, new and second-hand at J. B. Dunton's. 223-11.
- FOR SALE—Round Oak parlor wood stove. Inquire, 4 Locust St. 223-11.
- FOR SALE—Dry hard wood, split or in chunks. Crystal Springs Lumber Co. 223-11.
- FOR SALE—15 second-hand horses, ranging from 1,200 to 1,600. F. A. Larrow. 193-11.
- FOR SALE—Two new Winchester 28-55 calibre rifles, cheap. W. G. Horton, 24 Main St. Brattleboro. 221-225.
- FOR SALE—Registered Guernsey bull, 20 months old from the stock of R. H. Briggs. Address W. E. Taylor, West Brattleboro, Vt. 229-eod-225.
- FOR SALE—White Leghorn rooster, 1 yr. old. A. J. Brackett, 35 Oak St. 222-227.**
- FOR SALE—Black horse, 4 years old, weight 1,300; also extra wagon, sleigh and harness. Inquire or call, Black, or at Larrow's Stable. 203-11.**
- FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—High class Kentucky gentleman's driving and saddle seven-year-old brown gelding, sound. Apply to D. E. McElhinny, Phone 699. 224-226.**
- FOR SALE—Two tenement houses, 6 rooms each, on Homestead place, with modern improvements, finished in cherry maple and birch, house newly new and is extra well finished. Price right. Wm. C. Horton's Agency. 215-eod-226.**
- To Rent**
- TO RENT—Room at 15 Grove St. 204-11.
- TO RENT—Barn for storage of stoves. P. W. Hall, 24 Green St. 210-11.
- TO RENT—Furnished room, electric lights, furnace heat, 12½ Forest St. 210-11.
- TO RENT—Furnished rooms, E. J. Barry, 18½ S. South Main St. 215-225.
- TO RENT—Large elegant new Eddy shops, modern. Edgett & Co. 221-11.
- TO RENT—Five room tenement, \$10 month, 10 West St. A. Hammond, inquire of W. G. Morton, 60 Main St. 218-220.
- TO RENT—Furnished room, Larch only. Inquire Mrs. Fred Dillbeck, 37 South Main St. 220-225.
- TO RENT—3 room tenement on School street, to American family of 4 persons. W. E. Dillbeck. 220-11.
- TO RENT—Down stairs tenement next Crosby's warehouse. Inquire Charles Clark, Vernon St. 225-11.
- TO RENT—Two floors in Ullery building annex, suitable for light manufacturing or storage. J. G. Ullery. 170-11.
- TO RENT—Seven room house, all hardwood finish, furnace and all modern improvements; acre of land and house on Williams street, \$15 a month. Inquire at Hertzberg Bros., 8 High St. 219-11.
- TO RENT**
- The South Vernon House. Owing to ill health in family I will sell or rent my hotel at South Vernon, Vt. An opportunity to the right man. G. E. Alderman, Prop. 225-226.

## TELEPHONE CO. GIVES SALARIES

**Public Service Commission Learns What Officials Receive for Their Work**

**HEARINGS GO OVER UNTIL NEXT MONTH**

Auditor Longley of New England Telephone & Telegraph Company Concludes Testimony, After Being on Stand Three Weeks.

MONTPELIER, Nov. 22.—General Auditor Longley of the New England Telephone and Telegraph company concluded his testimony before the public service commission yesterday afternoon after having spent three weeks on the witness stand.

The commission decided to adjourn over Thanksgiving week inasmuch as it must attend a hearing of the interstate commerce commission in Boston next Tuesday. It will reconvene the telephone inquiry a week from next Tuesday.

The most interesting feature of the day's session was the disclosure of the salaries paid to officials in the executive, accounting and legal departments. These salaries are reported to the commission in Vermont, in the ratio of the gross revenue of the company in Vermont to the gross revenue of the company in New England.

Thomas Sloan, chairman of the board of directors, gets an annual salary of \$12,000, at which \$250.29 is charged to Vermont. President Spaulding gets \$21,000 a year, of which \$250.60 is apportioned to Vermont. Vice President Hyde gets \$20,000, of which \$250.44 is charged to Vermont. The secretary of the company, C. E. A. Sullivan, receives \$3,600, of which \$44.36 is charged to Vermont. General Counsel Jones receives \$800 a year, of which \$25.00 is paid to Vermont. General Auditor Longley gets \$2,000, of which Vermont contributes \$212.40.

Of the annual salaries of 31 clerks and assistants in the executive department amounting to \$24,500, the sum of \$642.42 is charged to Vermont. There are 89 clerks in the accounting department whose aggregate salaries are \$69,250, of which amount \$1,040.76 is charged against Vermont. In the treasurer's department there are 10 employees who receive a total of \$23,505, of which amount \$410.70 is charged against Vermont. In the treasurer's department there are 10 employees who receive a total of \$24,505, of which Vermont pays \$554.21. The total of these expenses charged to Vermont for the year 1912 was \$2,521.55.

Attorney Graham for the state continued his inquiry into the other expenses of the telephone company, devoting some little time to the question of advertising. Mr. Longley said that the telephone company is charged for the cost of advertising in newspaper offices are not related, but are charged for at regular service rates. Against this charge, he said, there was a credit for advertising and that sometimes the advertising expense of the parent of the telephone service rendered.

Asked whether the company renders an account to such newspapers for the telephone service furnished and

whether the newspapers rendered an account for the advertising used just as if each were paying cash, Mr. Longley said they did.

The advertising in various magazines done by the American Telephone and Telegraph company also entered into the discussion. Mr. Longley said, in response to questions from the state's attorney, that he had not the slightest idea as to the cost of the advertising. He added that no part of it was charged against the New England company or paid for by the New England company.

Mr. Longley testified in response to other questions that no free service is being given except that which has already been testified to at the state house and such discounts are given to municipalities or to certain charitable organizations under what are known as "charity discounts."

Commissioner Warner wanted to know whether it was the practice to give free service to fraternal organizations, but Mr. Longley said he had no knowledge that any fraternal organization received free service and did not believe such a practice existed.

Certain telephone employees were given frank books but these frank books were not distributed to individuals outside of the telephone organization.

The contracts with the American Telephone and Telegraph company, by which the New England company pays 44 per cent of its gross revenue, for the rental of instruments and for various financial accounting, engineering and legal services were put in evidence and considered at some length.

Mr. Longley was asked if he was familiar with a decision of the California commission which cut this payment one half. He said he was not familiar with the decision but had read some references to it within the past few days.

In the territory of the New England company as a whole the gross revenue for the year 1912 was \$16,136,288 and the expenses \$12,853,099, making the percentage of operating expense to the gross revenue 79.6. In Vermont the gross revenue was \$834,161, and the expenses \$475,222, making the operating expense 57.0.

At the next session President Spaulding will take the stand to give further details of the contract with the American Telephone and Telegraph company and to explain the charges to depreciation and to the cost of establishing the business as a going concern.

## WILL RESIST IF MARINES LAND

**Mexicans Receive Orders to Act in Case U. S. Protects Oil Fields**

**MEXICO CITY IS FACING A FAMINE**

Lower Class Mexicans Think British War Ships Are Going to Drive Away Those of Our Navy.

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 22.—Huerta is reported to have ordered Gen. Maas, commander of the Federal forces on the east coast to resist any attempt of American warships to land marines at Tampam for the protection of the oil plants.

The American battleships New Hampshire, Nebraska and Louisiana and the gunboat Wheeling are lying off Tampam. Of their force of 3,200 men, 2,000 are available for landing parties. Three battleships are a part of the equipment. With the advance of the rebels into the oil fields and the destruction of railroads Mexico City is facing a coal and fuel oil famine.

There are less than 1,000 tons of coal in the capital, a city of more than 300,000 population. There is no possibility of more being brought in. The production of coal has almost ceased, owing to the damage done to mines by bandits. The railroads are in such crippled condition that coal could not be transported now even if it were produced.

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The impression prevails here among the lower class of Mexicans that the British cruisers now on their way to Mexico waters were sent to drive out the American fleet, but it will be known that the real reason for the dispatch of the squadron was to protect the British oil properties.

The Bank of London and Mexico got a message from Pancho Villa last night in which the rebel leader in the north threatens to kill all the employees of the bank who are captured at Torreón and Juarez if his debts are not honored.

The bank has received Villa's drafts, but has refused to honor them.

It is authoritatively reported that the National bank will henceforth pay the clearing house balances in certificates instead of cash. Officials of the bank refused to discuss this report tonight.

Members of another clearing house bank admitted its truth, saying that the object is to compel holders of silver to return the coin into circulation.

## TURKEYS ARE COMING NORTH AS PASSENGERS

**Big Shipment from Tennessee On Its Way to New England—Boston Man Buys Thousand.**

KNOWVILLE, Tenn., Nov. 22.—The Thanksgiving turkey special with 25,000 live birds aboard left this state yesterday for its run on passenger schedule to Baltimore and Boston. Shipments of turkeys from this section will reach 50 carloads this season. One Boston manufacturer ordered 1,000 birds for distribution among his employees.

## NEW MANAGER OF TELEGRAPH OFFICE

**E. McCullough Came from Nashua, N. H., Where He Was Manager—In the Business Since Boyhood.**

E. McCullough is the new manager of the local office of the Western Union Telegraph company. He began his duties yesterday, coming here from Nashua, N. H., where he had been manager of the office of the company 11 months. Mr. McCullough has been in the telegraph business since boyhood and has been in a managerial capacity the last six years. James A. Carwell, who was manager of the local office many years, is now retired on a pension at his own request.

## ANOTHER FOOTBALL VICTIM.

Gettysburg College Student Dead—Injured Three Weeks Ago.

GETTYSBURG, Pa., Nov. 22.—Homer S. Way of Leebach, a student at Gettysburg college, died last night from abscesses which formed in the lungs as the result of injuries received here in a game between the Gettysburg and Dickinson college reserves three weeks ago. His chest bone was fractured as the result of a scrimmage.

## AT THE CENTRE CHURCH.

Sunday morning at 10:30—A Prayer by the pastor, subject, A Prayer Without a Petition. Rev. Antonio Arrighi will tell the children's story.

Sunday afternoon at 3—Rev. Antonio Arrighi will conduct a service in the chapel for the Italians of Brattleboro, addressing them in the Italian language.

Sunday evening at 7—Stereopticon lecture, New Americans for a New America, illustrated by 64 exceptionally beautiful slides. A chorus choir will render the Home Mission cantata, Our Country for all.

Monday afternoon—The mission study class will meet with Miss Mary Pitts.

Tuesday from noon to 7, in the chapel—Thanksgiving food sale by Ladies' association. Exhibition of old-fashioned hats and bonnets in millinery tea room.

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## DEVELOPMENTS UNLIKELY.

**Until Mexican Congress Gets Out of Tangle It Is In.**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—Rear Admiral Fletcher called today that the battleship New Hampshire had left Tampam on its return to Vera Cruz. Taken in connection with the pledge of the Constitutionalist general, Aguilar, that his men will not molest foreign property this movement is regarded as evidence of the restoration of order between Tampam and Tampico. Mexican refugees were transferred last night from the battleship Rhode Island to the scout cruiser Chester which sailed for Havana.

With full realization that there can be no immediate developments in a diplomatic sense pending the clearing of the tangle in which the Mexican congress has involved itself interest is now centered in the naval situation on the gulf coast. The approach of two British cruisers has been communicated to the state department through the British embassy without eliciting any expression of disapproval and that is taken as another bit of evidence that the United States and Great Britain are settling in perfect harmony.

Unofficial advices from government agents in sections where the Constitutionalist are operating suggest a revival of the plan to seek recognition from the United States for the factional government claiming jurisdiction over the northern part of Mexico. So far, however, local Constitutional representatives are unwilling to admit that Carranza would be satisfied with anything less than the conquest of the whole of Mexico and the elimination of Huerta.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas.—The activities of the Mexican liberal party in Texas, sometimes called the Mexican branch of the I. W. W., has been revealed, state officers say, through investigation of a recent telegram to Governor Colquhoun threatening reprisals against Texas if mercy is not shown the Mexican ammunition smugglers charged with murder. Several of the smugglers claimed membership in the Industrial Workers, and two men said to be officers in the society have been arrested here. The officers say they have secured circulars indicating a widespread movement to rescue the smugglers and a call to rise up in aid of the Mexicans. More arrests are expected.

TOWNSHEND MAN SHOT IN THIGH

Hunter's Bullet Struck Him While He Was Chopping Wood—Comment on System of Granting Licenses.

(Special to The Reformer.)

TOWNSHEND, Nov. 22.—A case of reckless shooting by some hair-brained, irresponsible hunter occurred in the north part of the town Thursday afternoon, when Frank Blood was shot in the left thigh while chopping wood on his own farm. Mr. Blood was splitting a log with his left foot on the log when he heard a shot, soon followed by another. Almost simultaneously with the second shot he felt the shock of the bullet as it struck just below the hip and passed forward and downward coming out above the knee. It is thought that it did not strike the bone, but passed through the flesh and thick muscle of the thigh, thus spending its force as the bullet remained inside his clothing, dropping to his stocking.

William Hall, who was working with Mr. Blood, shouted to stop firing as a man was hit, but another shot was heard immediately after.

Mr. Blood was assisted to the house and Dr. F. L. Osgood was called, who dressed the wound. Mr. Blood is getting along as well as could be expected, and if no complications arise he will be about in a few days. But what is to be said in defense of the custom of granting a license to any man, woman or child who applies for it without regard to judgment or experience? Is it not time for the calling of a halt? If a shot is shot a game warden will chase all over the county to find the guilty person, but if a man is shot, why, that is of no account. It is an accident, and nobody runs down the reckless shooter.

Apart from the question of the suffering that such a wound causes, there is the loss of time to a busy man like Mr. Blood, with work that is pressing and must be done. For what? To satisfy the desire of a worthless hunter out for fun.

## WEATHER MILD FOR BIG GAME

**Harvard and Yale Faced Each Other Under Indian Summer Haze**

**CRIMSON TEAM A SLIGHT FAVORITE**

Yale Supporters, However, Were Willing to Take Short End of 10 to 7 Odds—Both Teams Had Well-Developed Kicking Departments.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—The intercollegiate football championship of the East hovered over the white gridiron of the stadium today as the Harvard and Yale elevens lined up for the deciding game of the season. The Crimson team went into the contest a pronounced favorite in the general betting although the backers of the Blue did not hesitate to accept odds of 10 to 7 or 10 to 6 against them.

The weather was fine from the standpoint of the spectators but the Indian summer air lacked the encouraging snap which puts life and speed into football players. Favorable reports came from both camps this morning. It has been many years since the teams of Yale and Harvard faced each other with such well developed kicking departments, and goals from the field were expected to feature the contest through the efforts of Brickley and Mahan of Harvard and Knowles and Guernsey of Yale.

Harvard entered the game with the hope of keeping Yale from making a touchdown as no Blue player has crossed the Harvard goal line in six years. The Cambridge institution also hoped to break the ten year tradition of its inability to defeat Yale in the stadium and the longer one that Harvard cannot defeat Yale two years in succession.

Hotels and theaters in Boston last night reported conditions that resembled the boom days of a Western mining town. Rooms at the leading hostleries have been unobtainable for several weeks and hallways and lounging quarters were blocked with coats whereby the bonfire caused for the overflow. Standing room only signs decorated the lobbies of all the theaters, and the blue of Yale and the crimson of Harvard every other valuable point of vantage in and about the Hub.

Ticket speculators received from \$35 to \$50 for a pair of the few seats in their possession and a large percentage of the 47,000 persons who expected to witness the game appeared to be anxious to wager "just a trade" on the outcome of the contest. Odds at Boston last night ranged from 10 to 7 to 2 to 1 on Harvard with a preponderance of crimson currency in sight.

In the midst of all this hubbub the squads of rival gridiron gladiators were sequestered in quiet quarters outside the excitement zone. The Yale team and substitutes spent the night at Auburndale, and an air of confidence pervaded the temporary quarters of the Elis. This feeling was accentuated by the excellent practice of the blue eleven in the stadium early in the afternoon, when the team showed great speed in signal drill and Guernsey drop-kicked the ball over the goal repeatedly from difficult angles.

Harvard's varsity and substitute players hid themselves within the domain of the Vesper club on an island in the Merrimack river near Lowell. Aside from a little golf and a short signal lineup it was an uneventful 24 hours for them.

The opening line-ups appear to be the sources of greatest trouble, especially for the Yale coaches. Some doubt existed as to whether Carter or Brann would be at right end for the blue when the team first faced Harvard, and Guernsey might start the game a full back for the Elis. No eleventh-hour changes have been announced in the Harvard ranks, but a rumor prevailed in Yale circles that a shift in formation might be expected about 2 o'clock this afternoon. This report probably arose from the statement that in case Hitchcock should leave the play, Gilman would be shifted to his position and Cowen substituted at right tackle.

**MEN WHO WILL PLAY IN CROSBY'S TEAM**

**Well-Known Players in Lineup of Alumni Organization Which Will Go Against High School.**

Godfrey Crosby, who will captain the alumni football team that will play Brattleboro high Thanksgiving morning will have in the lineup Oslow Thompson, Lawrence Sherman, Robert Fitts, Joseph Eckels, Francis Marion, William Haskell, Harold Cook, Ray Sanders, Robert Knowlton and Stanley Fitts besides the captain. With these and others equally capable and some practice which will be obtained before the day of the game the final exhibition should be well worth seeing.

**LEADER WRITES FROM VERA CRUZ**

**Former Brattleboro Man in United States Navy Sends Cards from Vicinity of Mexican Troubles.**

Friends of Leon I. Leader, formerly of Brattleboro, but now in the United States navy, have received post cards from him postmarked Vera Cruz. Under date of the 8th, he wrote: "I am sending this via Vera Cruz. Landing parties are ready to leave at a moment's notice with their ammunition and rations. The Rhode Island is right up to the deck with her guns trained on the city 'tis said. We have five battleships here—one German cruiser is in the inner harbor."

**INSPECTOR VISITS CHESTNUT HILL**

**Considering Means of Furnishing That Section with Mail Delivery—Result Not Yet Known.**

E. W. Sharpe of Pittsfield, Mass., post office inspector, was here yesterday, and with Postmaster Kittredge Haskins and Julius E. Leach, superintendent of carriers, made a trip through the Chestnut Hill district for the purpose of considering a means of furnishing that district with mail delivery. Mr. Sharpe will report the result of his inspection to the authorities at Washington and it will be some time before the result is known. Mr. Sharpe went today to South Wardsboro and Dummerston Station, where he instructed new postmasters in their duties.

**THE WEATHER.**

**Colder Weather Predicted for Vermont—Generally Fair.**

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The weather forecast for the next 24 hours: Unsettled tonight, colder in Vermont Sunday with generally fair weather and moderate southwest winds.